



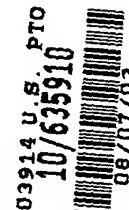
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We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 26 pages, including 9 independent claims and 87 claims total.
2. Drawings- 42 sheets of drawings containing 44 figures. (Figures 1-44).
3. Preliminary Amendment

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fee. Please do not charge the filing fee to our Deposit Account without our authorization.

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